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Hello,

I have comments about the Microsoft Settlement. This entire matter has been out of control since the beginning. There are many companies that do business a certain way, and the customers either buy or patron the manufacturer or supplier or they do not. All of Microsoft's competition has had the same opportunity to manufacture products that the consumers will buy, but the customers do decide what they want. If Microsoft supplies a product the consumers want, they will continue to purchase it, if they fail the public, likewise, the public will let them know. This settlement is more than fair for Microsoft. To me, I feel it is totally unfair to penalize a company for going after the American dream, and providing the world with products that have excelled, and advanced the world.

The jealousy of others to go after Microsoft, cost many in the business world their businesses, and jobs. My opinion, it created most of what we deem "the recession" due to job losses.

I suggest, what would be a more meaningful avenue to pursue is all of the fees and surcharges American's are paying in their telephone bills, and cable bills under the FCC fee's, Universal Fee's which amount in excess of \$300 annually per account. These funds were not appropriated by Congress to be taken from the consumers. These are taken from as I said Telephones, Cable, Cell Phone bills, and these are uncalled for, and robbery from all Americans. These collections are just the same as before when Americans were paying for the Spanish American War still from Phone bills recently, those funds were not repaid to Telephone subscribers either. This is something that does need investigation and cleaning up.

Please end the unjust Microsoft ordeal, it is a total waste of the taxpayers money, and has cost America dearly in jobs and businesses. Again, I feel strongly, the consumer will purchase what they wish, leave the manufactures to make the best they can offer, and allow the public to choose. The ones that are sore at free enterprise, need to come up with ideas and products that drive the consumers to buy their products, they just need to be better, instead of fight this way. Please end the ordeal, the settlement is past being fair to those who have suffered nothing, but are jealous of "Free Enterprise of the American dream." Thanks for your time. God Bless America! May 2002 bring us a very good year and blessings to all.

Sincerely,

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